Page 145

MEETINGS TO DATE 4 NO. OF REGULARS 3 NO. OF SPECIALS 1

LANCASTER, NEW YORK FEBRUARY 13, 1992

A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster, Erie County, New York, was held at the Town Hall at Lancaster, New York on the 13th of February 1992 at 4:30 P.M. and there were

PRESENT:

ROBERT H. GIZA, COUNCILMAN

DONALD E. KWAK, COUNCILMAN

PATRICK C. POKORSKI, COUNCILMAN

LUCIAN J. GRECO, SUPERVISOR

ABSENT:

THOMAS VAN NORTWICK, COUNCILMAN

ALSO PRESENT: ROBERT P. THILL, TOWN CLERK

JOSEPH REINA, TOWN ATTORNEY

ROBERT L. LANEY, BUILDING INSPECTOR

THOMAS E. FOWLER, CHIEF OF POLICE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

COUNCILMAN GIZA

INVOCATION:

COUNCILMAN POKORSKI

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

NONE

## PURPOSE OF MEETING:

The purpose of this meeting was to review personnel matters as they relate to the operation of the Office of the Assessor of the Town of Lancaster, and for such other and further business as may normally come before the Town Board at a regular meeting hereof.

32×

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR GRECO, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN POKORSKI, TO WIT:

RESOLVED, that the following positions are hereby abolished, effective March 13, 1992:

Account Code	Position	Salary
A1355.1	Supervising Tax Clerk	24,117
A1355.1	Appraiser - Estimator	24,117
A1355.1	Real Property Appraiser Trainee	18,601

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Lancaster be and is hereby authorized to complete and sign Form PO-17 (New Position Duties Statement) for the purpose of obtaining the appropriate service title for the anticipated position of Data Entry Operator in the Assessor's Office of the Town of Lancaster;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$24,000 from the abolishment of the aforesaid positions in account code A1355.1 be immediately transferred to account code A1355.410 Professional Services;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and is hereby authorized to solicit proposals for consultant services to be performed in the office of the Town Assessor, the contractual term of which shall be for a period of six months and renewable for an additional six month period.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN POKORSKI, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KWAK AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, THIS RESOLUTION WAS LAID ON THE TABLE.

February 13, 1992

File: R.Abol.Assessor



THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR GRECO, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN PCKORSKI, TO WIT:

RESOLVED, that a Home Rule request is made to the New York State Legislature as follows:

TO THE LEGISLATURE:

Pursuant to Article IX of the Constitution, the Town of Lancaster requests the enactment of Senate/Assembly Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ entitled "An Act to amend the town law, in relation to providing for an elected assessor for the Town of Lancaster in Erie County."

It is hereby declared that a necessity exists for the enactment of such legislation, and that the facts establishing such necessity are as follows:

The local government does not have the power to enact such legislation by local law.

Current law provides that the assessor of a town of the first class shall be appointed for a six-year term by the Town Board, with elective assessors permitted only in towns of the second class. This provision removes the ability of the residents of a town of the first class to have a direct vote upon whom shall serve as the town assessor, and under certain circumstances, fosters a situation which allows such office to be non-responsive to the concerns of the property taxpayers within such municipality. An elective assessor in the Town of Lancaster would require such office to be responsive to the residents it serves and would promote correction of the current deficiencies of said office.

Such request is made by a vote of two-thirds of the total membership of the local legislative body;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the clerk of the Town of Lancaster be directed to forward copies of this home rule request. Cartified by the clerk, in sufficient number, to our local representatives in the New York State Senate and the New York State Assembly.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN POKORSKI, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KWAK AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, THIS RESOLUTION WAS LAID ON THE TABLE.

February 13, 1992

R.Elective.Assessor

32X

Page 148

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN POKORSKI, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GIZA, TO WIT:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster has duly advertised for bids for furnishing to the Town of Lancaster the necessary trees for the 1992 Tree Planting Program in accordance with specifications on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Lancaster, and

WHEREAS, said bids were duly opened on February 3, 1992, and

WHEREAS, SCHICHTEL'S NURSERY, 6745 Chestnut Ridge Road, Orchard Park, New york 14127, has submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$23,950.00 for furnishing said trees to the Town of Lancaster,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the bid of Schichtel's Nursery, 6745 Chestnut Ridge Road, Orchard Park, New York 14127 being the lowest responsible bid in conformance with the specifications relating thereto, be and hereby is accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Tree Planting Committee of the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster be and is hereby authorized to place orders with SCHICHTEL'S NURSERY, INC. for those trees which the Town of Lancaster needs for its 1992 Tree Planting Program.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

COUNCILMAN GIZA

VOTED YES

COUNCILMAN KWAK

VOTED YES

COUNCILMAN POKORSKI

VOTED YES

COUNCILMAN VAN NORTWICK WAS ABSENT

SUPERVISOR GRECO

VOTED YES

February 13, 1992

File: R.B.O.TREES (P3)

32X

Page 149

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN KWAK, AND SECONDED BY THE ENTIRE TOWN BOARD AND CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Robert P. Thill, Town Clerk

32X